

WHAT IS CLAIMED IS:

1. A laminated composite comprising:
an optical layer having a light reflectivity; and
a latent image formation layer containing a liquid
crystalline polymer material and provided on one of
major surfaces of the optical layer,

wherein said latent image formation layer comprises at least one oriented portion in an orientation state and at least one non-oriented portion in a non-orientation state, and said at least one oriented portion and said at least one non-oriented portion constitute a latent image which is unrecognizable by a direct visual observation and recognizable by a visual observation through a polarizing member.

2. The composite according to claim 1, wherein said liquid crystalline polymer material is a thermotropic liquid crystalline polymer material.

3. The composite according to claim 1, wherein said optical layer is a specular reflection layer.

4. The composite according to claim 3, further comprising an OVD layer either on the latent image formation layer or between the specular reflection layer and the latent image formation layer.

5. The composite according to claim 1, wherein said optical layer is an OVD layer.

6. The composite according to claim 1, ~~further~~

comprising a protection layer, which has a light transmissibility and protects the latent image, on the latent image formation layer.

7. The composite according to claim 6, wherein
5 said protection layer has a light scattering property.

8. The composite according to claim 1, wherein
said polarizing member is a circularly polarizing member.

9. An information recording medium comprising:
10 a light reflective substrate with a light reflective surface; and
a latent image formation layer containing a liquid crystalline polymer material and provided on the light reflective surface,

15 wherein said latent image formation layer comprises at least one oriented portion in an orientation state and at least one non-oriented portion in a non-orientation state, and said at least one oriented portion and said at least one non-oriented
20 portion constitute a latent image which is unrecognizable by a direct visual observation and recognizable by a visual observation through a polarizing member.

10. The medium according to claim 9, wherein said
25 liquid crystalline polymer material is a thermotropic liquid crystalline polymer material.

11. The medium according to claim 9, wherein said

light reflective substrate comprises a laminated structure of a information-recorded substrate and an optical layer facing the latent image formation layer and having a light reflectivity.

5 12. The medium according to claim 11, wherein said optical layer is a specular reflection layer.

10 13. The medium according to claim 12, further comprising an OVD layer either on the latent image formation layer or between the specular reflection layer and the latent image formation layer.

 14. The medium according to claim 11, wherein said optical layer is an OVD layer.

15 15. The medium according to claim 9, further comprising a protection layer, which has a light transmissibility and protects the latent image formation layer, on the latent image formation layer.

 16. The medium according to claim 15, wherein said protection layer has a light scattering property.

20 17. The medium according to claim 11, wherein said light reflective substrate further comprises a base layer between the information-recorded substrate and the optical layer.

 18. The medium according to claim 17, wherein said base layer is an adhesive layer.

25 19. The medium according to claim 17, further comprising a sticky layer between said information-recorded substrate and said base layer.

20. The medium according to claim ~~9~~, wherein said polarizing member is a circularly polarizing member.

41. A member of imparting forgery-preventing characteristic comprising:

5 a base layer;

an optical layer provided on one of major surfaces of the base layer and having a light reflectivity; and

a latent image formation layer containing a liquid crystalline polymer material and provided on the
10 optical layer,

 wherein said latent image formation layer comprises at least one oriented portion in an orientation state and at least one non-oriented portion in a non-orientation state, and said at least one
15 oriented portion and said at least one non-oriented portion constitute a latent image which is unrecognizable by a direct visual observation and recognizable by a visual observation through a polarizing member.

20 22. The member according to claim ~~21~~, wherein said liquid crystalline polymer material ~~is~~ a thermotropic liquid crystalline polymer material.

 23. The member according to claim ~~21~~, wherein said optical layer is a specular reflection layer.

25 24. The member according to claim ~~23~~, further comprising an OVD layer either on the latent image formation layer or between the specular reflection

layer and the latent image formation layer.

25. The member according to claim 21, wherein said optical layer is an OVD layer.

5 26. The member according to claim 21, further comprising a protection layer, which has a light transmissibility and protects the latent image formation layer, on the latent image formation layer.

27. The member according to claim 26, wherein said protection layer has a light scattering property.

10 28. The member according to claim 21, wherein said base layer is an adhesive layer.

29. The member according to claim 21, further comprising a sticky layer on said base layer.

15 30. The member according to claim 21, further comprising a release layer releasably provided on the base layer.

31. The member according to claim 21, wherein said polarizing member is a circularly polarizing member.

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